

FIG. 1
PRIOR ART

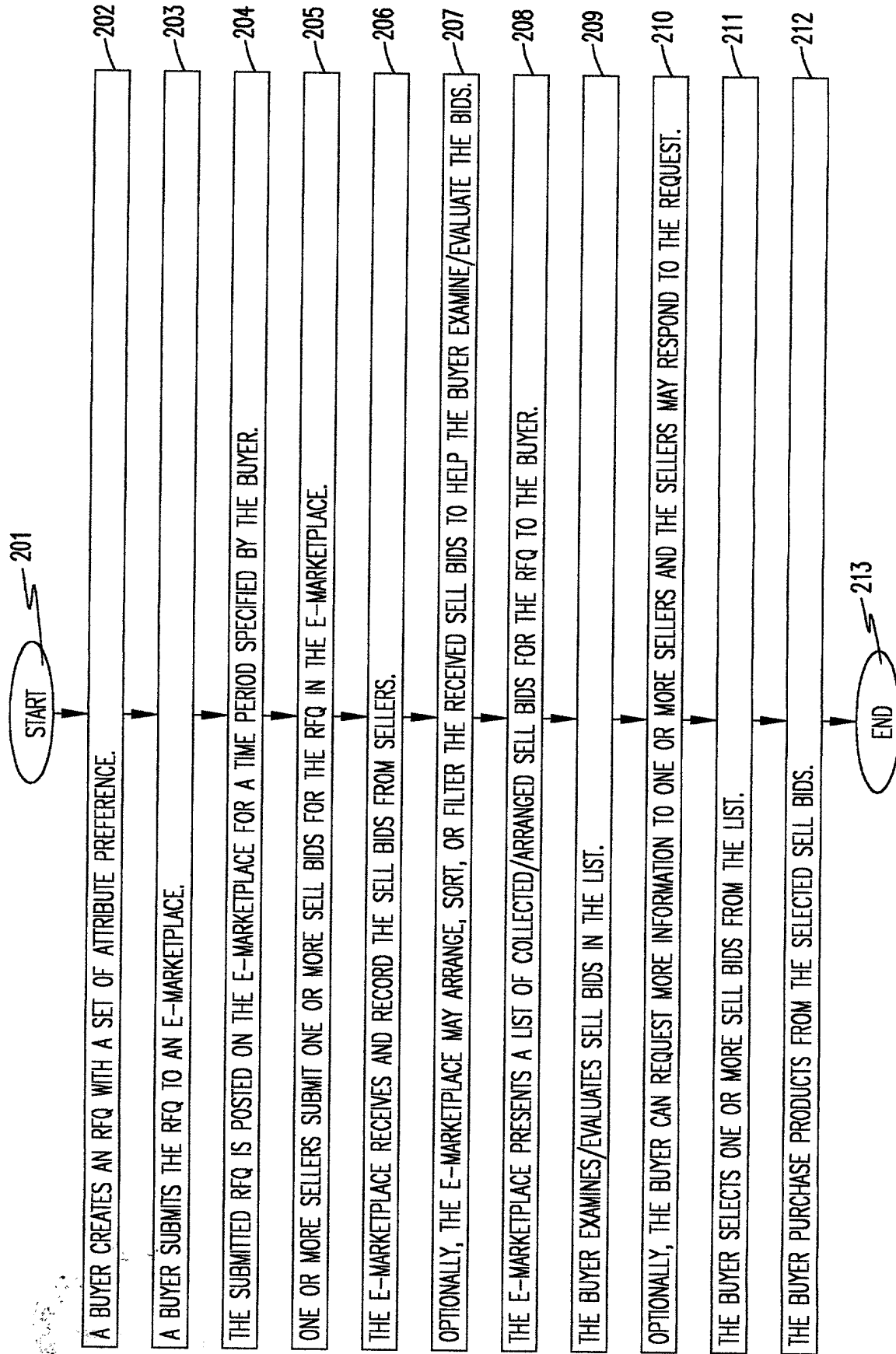


FIG. 2
PRIOR ART

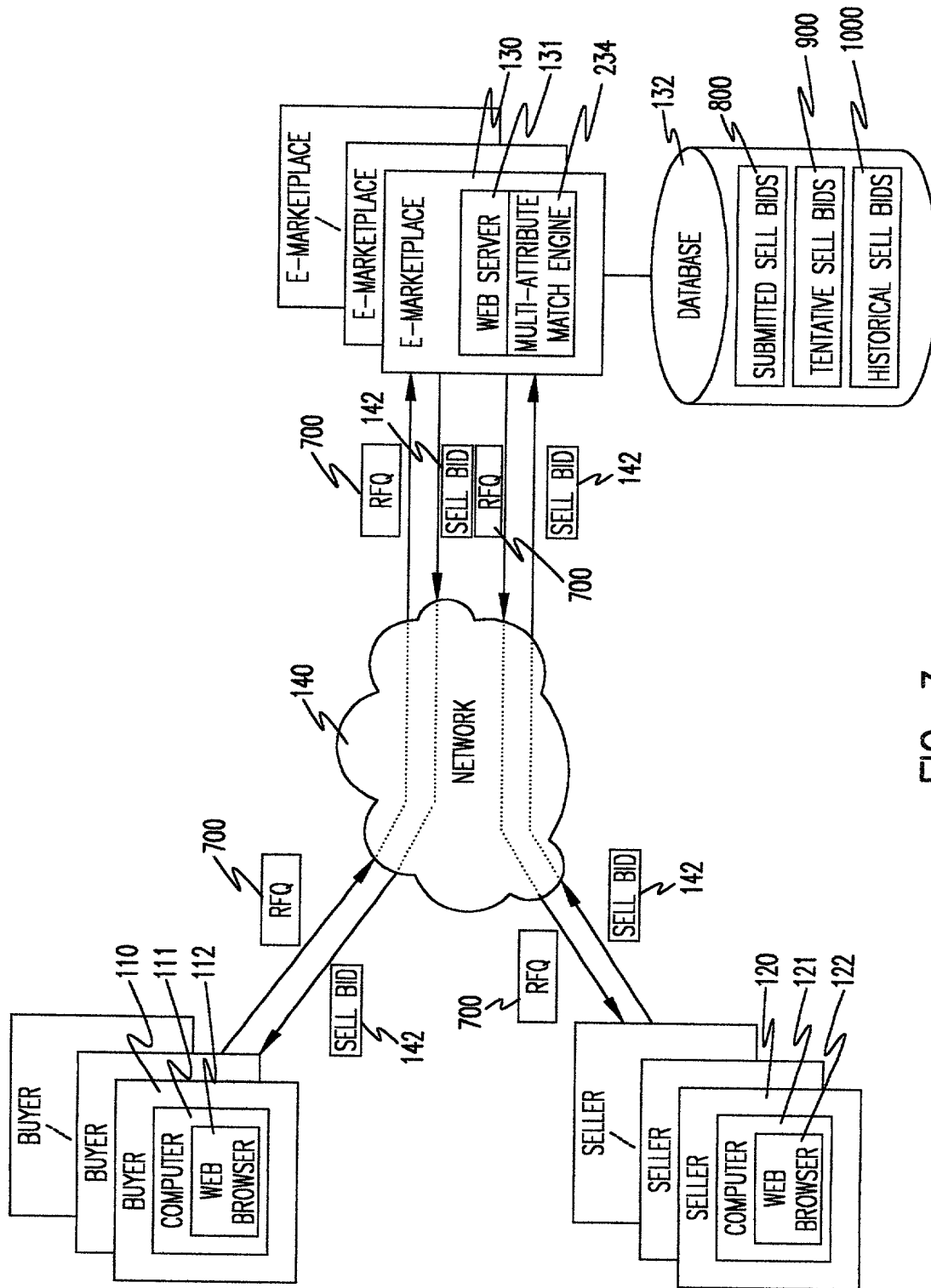


FIG. 3

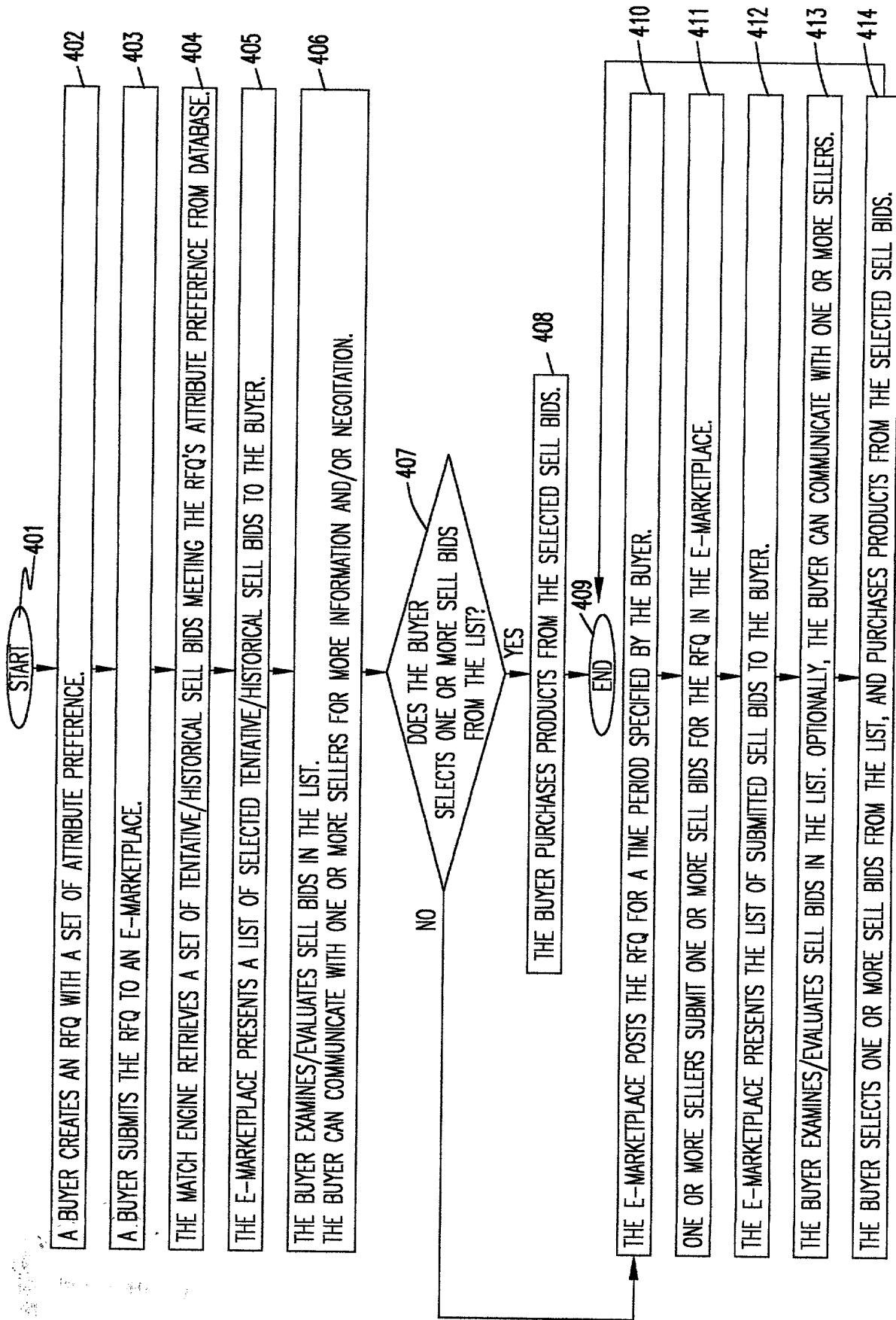


FIG. 4

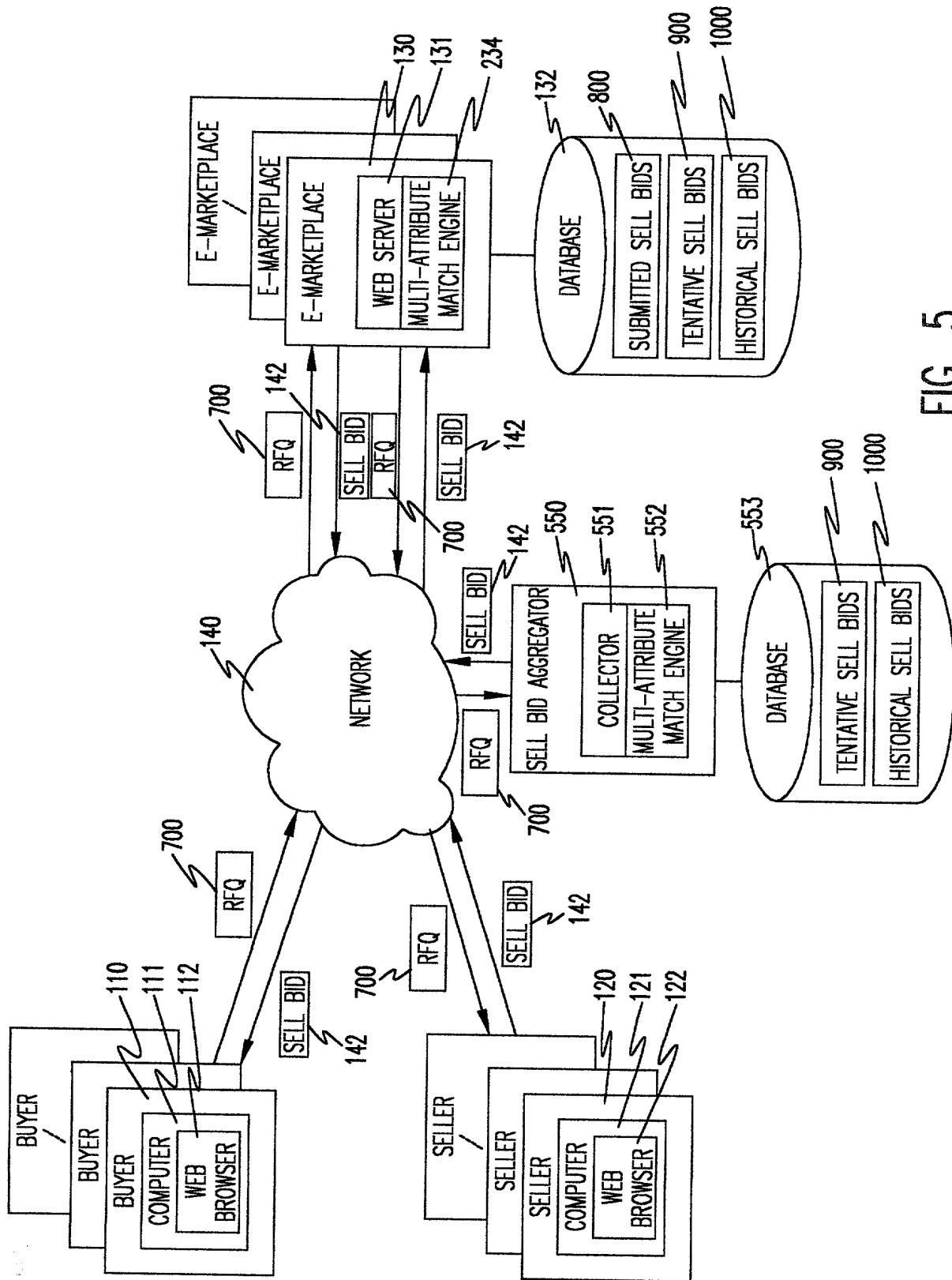
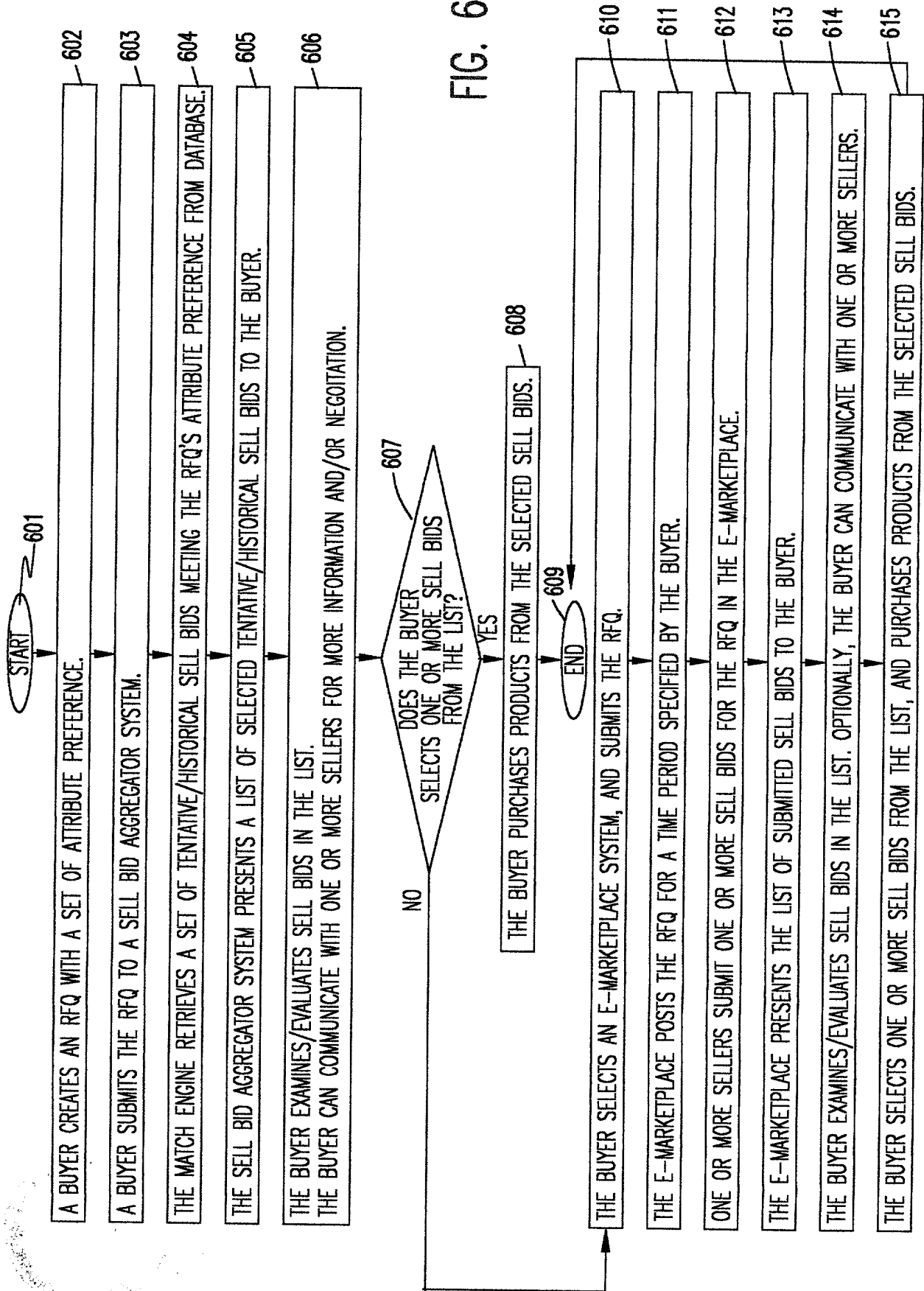


FIG. 5



701 ~	RFQ NUMBER: 1097
702 ~	BUYER IDENTIFIER: 321687321
703 ~	PRODUCT INFORMATION (PRODUCT IDENTIFIER: 318J749) ~ 703i
704 ~	PRODUCT CATEGORY: ENGINEERING PLASTICS
705 ~	PRODUCT NAME: POLYVINYL CHLORIDE (PVC)
706 ~	PRODUCT ATTRIBUTE ACID RESISTANT: 6-8 PH, NON-NEGOTIABLE BIODEGRADABILITY: 1-10 YEARS, NEGOTIABLE SOFTENING POINT: 300-350 DEGREES KELVIN, INFORMATIONAL FLAME RESISTANT: YES, INFORMATIONAL
707 ~	CLOSING TIME SELLER RESPONSE BY 12 OCTOBER, 2000 AT 12:00:00 AM DECISION MADE BY 15 OCTOBER, 2000 AT 12:00:00 PM
708 ~	BIDDING RULES MINIMUM RESERVE PRICE: N/A MAXIMUM RESERVE PRICE: \$300 (PER UNIT) BID REPLACEMENT (IS PRICE IMPROVEMENT REQUIRED ON SELLER'S PREVIOUS BID?): YES
709 ~	CLEARING RULES TIE BREAKING: PRIORITY ON THE LARGEST BID, AND THEN THE EARLIEST BID
710 ~	BUSINESS RULES MARKET PARTICIPANTS (WHO IS ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE?): SCREENED DISCOUNT RULE (FOR VOLUME PURCHASE): 10%

FIG. 7

BID NUMBER: 458242

RFQ NUMBER: 318

BID TYPE: SUBMITTED SELL BID

SELLER IDENTIFIER: 998532

MARKETPLACE IDENTIFIER: 11

PRODUCT INFORMATION (PRODUCT IDENTIFIER: 943H871) — 805 I
 PRODUCT CATEGORY: ENGINEERING PLASTICS
 PRODUCT NAME: POLYVINYL CHLORIDE (PVC)
 PRODUCT ATTRIBUTE
 ACID RESISTANT: 8 PH
 BIODEGRADABILITY: 7 YEARS
 SOFTENING POINT: 315 DEGREES KELVIN
 FLAME RESISTANT: YES

— PRODUCT CATEGORY: ENGINEERING PLASTICS —805 |
— PRODUCT NAME: POLYVINYL CHLORIDE (PVC)

2 — PRODUCT NAME: POLYVINYL CHLORIDE (PVC)

3 — PRODUCT ATTRIBUTE

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ACID RESISTANT: 8 PH

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BIODEGRADABILITY: 7 YEARS

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SOFTENING POINT: 315 DEGREES KEVIN

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FLAME RESISTANT: YES

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BID ATTRIBUTES
PRICE: \$206.00 PER UNIT

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QUANTITY: 100 UNITS

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DELIVERY: EXPRESS DELIVERY AVAILABLE

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SUBMISSION TIME
 SELLER RESPONSE AT 04:53:20 PM ON 11 OCTOBER 2000

SELLER RESPONSE AT 2:53:32 PM ON 11 OCTOBER, 2000

FIG. 8

801A	BID NUMBER: 74832
802A	BID TYPE: TENTATIVE SELL BID
803A	SELLER IDENTIFIER: 25372
804A	MARKETPLACE IDENTIFIER: 11
805A	PRODUCT INFORMATION (PRODUCT IDENTIFIER: 831K71) — 805 I
806A	PRODUCT CATEGORY: ENGINEERING PLASTICS
807A	PRODUCT NAME: POLYVINYL CHLORIDE (PVC)
808A	PRODUCT ATTRIBUTE ACID RESISTANT: 7 PH BIODEGRADABILITY: 9 YEARS SOFTENING POINT: 327 DEGREES KELVIN FLAME RESISTANT: NO
809A	BID ATTRIBUTES PRICE: \$275.00 PER UNIT QUANTITY: 20 UNITS DELIVERY: EXPRESS DELIVERY AVAILABLE
910	VALID TIME UNTIL 12:00:00 AM ON 1 NOVEMBER, 2000

FIG. 9

FOR SELECTION

801B	BID NUMBER: 26181
802B	BID TYPE: HISTORICAL SELL BID
803B	SELLER IDENTIFIER: 3183
804B	MARKETPLACE IDENTIFIER: 5
805B	PRODUCT INFORMATION (PRODUCT IDENTIFIER: 04268217) 805 I
806B	PRODUCT CATEGORY: ENGINEERING PLASTICS
807B	PRODUCT NAME: POLYVINYL CHLORIDE (PVC)
808B	PRODUCT ATTRIBUTE ACID RESISTANT: 6.5 PH BIODEGRADABILITY: 4 YEARS SOFTENING POINT: 328 DEGREES KELVIN FLAME RESISTANT: YES
809B	BID ATTRIBUTES PRICE: \$235.00 PER UNIT QUANTITY: 250 UNITS DELIVERY: EXPRESS DELIVERY AVAILABLE
810B	SUBMISSION TIME SELLER RESPONSE AT 5:32:21 PM ON 5 OCTOBER, 2000
910B	VALID TIME UNTIL 12:00:00 AM ON 25 OCTOBER, 2000
1011	BID RESULT NOT SELECTED

FIG. 10